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MEMORANDUM

TO: Faculty and Staff

FROM: Thomas C. Meredith, President *Thomas C Meredith*

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER TO FACULTY AND STAFF

Master Plan -- There will be a presentation for faculty and staff in the Downing University Center Theatre on March 27, 1990, at 3:30 p.m. concerning the new Master Plan. The physical development of this campus over the next 20 years is portrayed in the plan.

Western XXI -- The people working on the various task forces have done an outstanding job and have dedicated an extraordinary amount of time to complete their tasks. I am proud of the leadership being provided by Dr. James Flynn on this project. We will keep you regularly informed.

Legislature -- We have had excellent hearings before the House and Senate committees dealing with our appropriations. We keep receiving confirmation that the legislature will not appropriate any less than the amount recommended in the Governor's executive budget. If that occurs, there should a minimum of five percent money available for raises in 1990-91. We should have a final answer by the end of March. I know that you are deeply concerned over the monetary compensation for your hard work as well as the insurance. Please be assured that the members of the General Assembly know of our plight and want to help. We have spent a great deal of time with them over the last 18 months telling our story. I have publicly stated that this university will make an extraordinary effort in the 1990-91 budget concerning salaries within the dollars that are made available to us. I encourage you not to lose sight of the overwhelming number of positive aspects of this great university.

Health & Activities Center -- We have raised \$162,000 in private money so far. As soon as we reach our Phase I goal of \$628,000, the state will give us \$10 million for this outstanding facility.

Ideas for Efficiency -- You are sending in some great ideas to help Western run more efficiently and effectively. Please keep them coming.

Faculty Art -- I hope you will stop by to see the faculty art displayed in the President's Office. I appreciate the artists' sharing their creative talents with us.